BANGALORE CITY MUNICIPALITY.

No. 14.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 7TH NOVEMBER 1925, AT 8 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present ... 22 Absent 7.
Vacant one.

1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao enquired if any orders have been received from Government, *re.* the question of the termination of the services of the Special Engineer as resolved upon by the Municipal Council and if so, the reasons why it was not placed before the Council and observed that the Special Engineer should have been relieved on the 10th of October 1925 on which date, the period of his services terminated. The President informed the member that orders of Government have been received to the effect that the question cannot be disposed of until proposals promised by the Council as to the future management of works are sent up and that the order of Government will be placed before the Council at its next meeting. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon remarked that the order of Government should have been placed before the Council at its last meeting. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao asked the permission of the house to take up the question at once for consideration. At the suggestion of Mr. G. Paramasiviah, it was agreed that the papers relating to this question should be circulated and placed before the Council at its next ordinary meeting.

2. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao then said that he had been informed that Mr. D. Krishna Rao, Sub-Division Officer, City Improvement Works, has received orders from the Chief Engineer for his reversion to the Public Works Department and suggested that the question of the continuation of the services of the Special Engineer being still unsettled, the subject relating to the transfer of Mr. D. Krishna Rao be taken up now for consideration with the consent of the Council.

Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar, G. Paramasiviah, P. Subbarama Chetty and others pointed out that that subject was not on the agenda for the day, that they were not aware of the facts of the case and that the papers might be placed before Council at the next meeting.

Messrs. B. Abdur Rahmon and others said that the orders of the Chief Engineer regarding the reversion of Mr. D. Krishna Rao might be kept in abeyance till the papers relating to this question are placed before the Council.

The Commissioner explained that several months back, Mr. D. Krishna Rao had himself applied for reversion, that he was only a lent officer and that he recommended the reversion in the best interests of Municipal Administration.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao then proposed the following proposition, which was seconded by Mr. B. L. Byanna and supported by Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar :—

"(*a*) Resolved that the order of transfer proposed by the Commissioner by correspondence with the Chief Engineer in regard to Mr. D. Krishna Rao, Sub-Division Officer, be not given effect to until a further resolution of this Council in the matter is passed and that Mr. D. Krishna Rao be allowed to continue in charge as Sub-Division Officer, City Improvement Works, until such date.

(*b*) Resolved further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Chief Engineer with a request that the transfer of Mr. D. Krishna Rao be held over in abeyance for the time being."

Mr. D. Venkataramayya observed that in dealing with this question, due regard must be given to the fact that the Commissioner, as the Chief Executive Officer, had arranged for this transfer in the best interests of the Municipality and our resolution should not have a tendency to impair the efficiency of the administration. He was, however, of the opinion that the order of transfer may be held in abeyance until the question is discussed by the Council on all its bearings.

As some of the Councillors did not agree to the wording of the above proposition, Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao proposed the following amended resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar.

"Resolved that the order of transfer of Mr. D. Krishna Rao, Sub-Division Officer, be kept in abeyance until a further resolution of the Council is passed and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the Chief Engineer, with reference to correspondence ending with his letter No. 5169, dated 4th November 1925 and with a request that the order of transfer be kept in abeyance for the time being."

The amendment was put to vote and lost as 4 voted 'For' and 13 'Against' it.

The original proposition of Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao was then put to vote, with the result that there was an equality of votes, 9 voted 'For' and 9 'Against' it, President refraining from voting.

The business of the day on the agenda was then taken up.

3. Municipal Engineer's memo No. 1055, dated 17th October 1925, submitting valuation statement and plans of the properties belonging to Ibrahim Adam Ghandhi Sait, proposed to be acquired for the improvement of the Jutka Stand on the New Bamboo Bazaar Road.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

4. Memo No. 872. dated 12th October 1925, from the Municipal Engineer, submitting that only a portion of Mr. Abdul Rahim's property in Koracharapalya may be acquired for the Main Road and money compensation to be paid instead of exchange of site originally prayed for by the owner.

Resolution.—The Municipal Engineer's recommendation to give money compensation is approved.

5. Letter No. M. G., dated 17th October 1925, from the Director, Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills, Ltd., agreeing to pay two-thirds of the cost of laying sewage pipeline to lead the sewage water through Kempapur Agrahar as required by the Council.

Resolution.—Resolved that this communication be recorded with thanks and that the Council do sanction the other one-third from the Closing Balance.

6. Government Notification No. L. 2846—Ml. 13-25-10, dated 21st October 1925, approving the election of Mr. Hoskote Bhadrappa, as a Councillor of III Division, *vice* Mr. B. K. Garudachar, resigned.

Resolution.—Recorded.

No. 15.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 28TH NOVEMBER 1925, AT 8 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Present ... 14 | Absent 16.

Letters from Messrs. G. Paramasiviah and S. Venkataranga Iyengar, Municipal Councillors, expressing their inability to attend this day's meeting were read and recorded.

Before the business of the day commenced, the President said that all were aware that the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra had cast a gloom over the whole world, that it was most unfortunate that this unhappy event should have occurred when arrangements were being made to celebrate her 81st Birth. Day, that the late queen was well-known for her qualities of head and heart and for her sympathy towards the poor and needy and that her death was a national calamity. He proposed that the Council do place on record their deep syampthy and as a mark of respect adjourn the business of the day.

He moved the following resolutions which were carried unanimously, all the Councillors and visitors standing :—

(1) Resolved that this Council do place on record their deep sympathy with their Majesties in the grievous loss they have sustained by the demise of Her Late Majesty Queen Alexandra.

(2) Resolved further that this Council do adjourn its business to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of Her Late Majesty Queen Alexandra.

(3) Resolved also that copies of these resolutions be forwarded to Government forthwith with a request that they may be duly communicated to the Imperial Government through the proper channel.

No. 16.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BANGALORE, HELD ON THURSDAY THE 3RD DECEMBER 1925 AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 24 | Absent 6

1. Government Notification No. L. 3645, dated 20th November 1925, nominating Mr. M. Royan, Medical Practitioner, Bangalore City, as Municipal Councillor in place of Mr. J. R. Isaack, resigned, was read and recorded. The President welcomed Mr. Royan, who in reply thanked the President for his kind words of welcome.

2. Letters from Messrs. G. Muniyappa and D. Venkataramiah, expressing their inability to attend this meeting were read and recorded.

3. Proceedings of the meetings dated 24th October 1925 and 31st October 1925 were read and recorded.

4. The interpellations of Mr. B. L. Byanna regarding certain works in the Viswesrapuram Extension and the allotment of the rear shops in the New Market were read and answered.

Urgent Subjects.

1. Municipal Commissioner's memo dated 24th November 1925, soliciting sanction for Rs. 2,367 being the cost of certain estimates referred to therein for improving the water supply of certain higher localities of the City and to meet the cost from the Closing Balance in the current year's budget.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

2. Memo No. 5, dated 1st December 1925, from the Engineer in charge of the Well Works, submitting for sanction an estimate for Rs. 814-11-0 for installing a Boulton liquid elevator to the well situated behind the Cenotaph.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

3. Memo No. 4, dated 1st December 1925, from the Engineer in charge of Well Works, submitting for sanction estimates for the following Works:—

(1) Constructing a masonry balancing tank at the junction of 12th Cross Road and Cubbonpet Main Road in south-west side for Rs. 2,360.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(2) Laying 1½" pipe line, from Hutchanna well to the Cross Road in Cubbonpet Main Road near the 15th Cross Road for Rs. 3,100.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(3) For constructing a masonry balancing tank of 6,000 gallons capacity in Gowdanpet, III Division, for Rs. 2,000.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(4) Laying 1½" galvanised pipes, from the well in the Municipal Garden to the cross lane in Gowdanpet, III Division, for Rs. 1,250.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(5) Constructing a masonry balancing tank of about 5,000 gallons capacity near Idga in Chamarajpet for Rs. 1,700.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(6) Running 1½" galvanised pipe, from the well of Raja Venkatasubbiah Chetty in V Main Road, to the masonry tank to be constructed at the junction of VII Cross Road and 2nd Main Road near Idga for Rs. 2,700.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

4. Letter No. 7, dated 2nd December 1925, from the Assistant Engineer, Well Works, requesting sanction to employ six temporary coolies at a cost of Rs. 144 for Well Works for two months. Also for an office establishment consisting of one clerk and two peons.

Resolution.—1. The entertainment of four coolies at Rs. 10 each per month for one month is sanctioned; as also the entertainment of one clerk on Rs. 25 a month and two peons on Rs. 12 each per month for a period of two months is sanctioned to work under the Special Engineer, Well Works.

5. Municipal Commissioner's Memo dated 27th November 1925, suggesting that, for reasons stated, effect may be given to the increase of taxes on vacant sites as sanctioned by Government in their Order No. L. 2485-8—Ml. 96-25-6, dated 9th October 1925, from 1st January 1926.

Resolution.—Approved.

Subjects on the Printed Agenda were then taken up.

Deferred Subjects.

1. Municipal Commissioner's Memo, recommending the confirmation of the sales of Municipal lands in Pinjar Galli and Kottige Lane, Bangalore City, as the full value of these lands, *viz.*, Rs. 604 and Rs. 301 respectively, has been received.

Resolution.—The sale of the land in Kottige Lane for Rs. 301 is confirmed.

As regards *the sale of Municipal lands in Pinjargalli*, it was discussed at great length whether the sale should be confirmed. Messrs. G. Paramasiviah and C. Hayavadana Rao were strongly of opinion that the sale should not be confirmed, as under the Land Acquisition Regulation, when the lands were not used for the purpose for which they were acquired they should be given back to the persons from whom they were acquired, that therefore in the present case notices should be given to the previous owners giving them an opportunity to take back the lands and if they should fail to do so then the land may be sold again.

Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar said that as the present sale was properly conducted, it should be confirmed, that he no doubt agreed with Messrs. C. Hayavadana Rao and others in the principle put forward by them, that it might be kept in view for future guidance and that it might lead to several complications if the present sale was not confirmed.

After much discussion the question was put to vote and defeated. Ten voted for the confirmation of the sale and 11 against it.

4. Opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee dated 22nd September 1925, approving of the acquisition of a portion of door Nos. 9 and 10 in Gundopanth Street for widening the road.

Resolution.—The Municipal Engineer explained that he has been negotiating with the owners of properties Nos. 9 and 10 for effecting a compromise as regards the actual extent of land required for widening the Gundopanth Street and it was resolved that modified proposals be placed before the Municipal City Improvement Committee in the first instance.

5. Letter No. C. 1196-25, dated 23rd September 1925, from the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore, forwarding for consideration a letter dated 21st September 1925, from the Personal Assistant and Land Acquisition Officer, Bangalore District, requesting for an allowance of Rs. 100 per month for attending to the acquisition work of the City Municipality. Also a memo of the Municipal Commissioner on the subject.

Resolution.—The Council regret that they cannot see their way to sanction any allowance.

Meeting adjourned to the 8th December 1925, at 5 P.M.

No. 17.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON TUESDAY THE 8TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 22 | Absent ... 8

Before the proceedings began, the President brought to the notice of the Council that the District Judge, Bangalore, had passed an order invalidating the election of Mr. V. Venkatesiah and declaring that Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah should be deemed to have been elected in place of Mr. Venkatesiah. The President further added that according to the Municipal Regulation there was no necessity for the publication of Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah's election to the Municipal Council and that under the Municipal Regulation, the order of the District Judge was conclusive and final in this respect.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao stated that a notification in the Gazette as required by the City Municipal Council Election Rules was not a condition precedent to a Councillor taking his seat. The House accepted these statements and Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah, who was present took his seat as a Councillor.

2. The proceedings of the meetings dated 7th November 1925 and 28th November 1925, were read and recorded.

URGENT SUBJECTS.

1. Disposal of tenders for the following Works :—

(*a*) The tender of Nyathappa Reddy for Rs. 1,421-4-0 for constructing a masonry balancing tank of 6,000 gallons capacity in Gowdanpet was accepted.

(*b*) The tender of C. M. Chokkanna for Rs. 162-9-0 for supplying pipes and fittings for the balancing tank in Gowdanpet was accepted.

(*c*) The tender of Messrs. M. Kumaraswamy Pillay & Company, for Rs. 1,021-6-0 for laying 1½" galvanised pipes from the well in the Municipal Garden to the cross lane in Gowdanpet was accepted.

2. With regard to the tender for the repairs of Sydney Road, it was pointed out that only one tender for an amount much higher than the estimated amount had been received and therefore the recommendation of the Municipal Engineer to get the repairs of the road executed departmentally at a cost not exceeding the estimated amount was approved.

CONTINUATION OF THE SUBJECTS ON THE PRINTED AGENDA.

6. Letter dated 24th September 1925, from Mr. G. Paramasiviah, Municipal Councillor, proposing to move the following propositions :—

(1) "Resolved that immediate steps be taken to put up model cattle shed at different localities of the City to rent out the same to owners of milch cattle with a view to ensure supply of pure milk to children."

Mr. G. Paramasiviah in moving the proposition said that the large portion of infantile mortality in the City was largely due to the supply of adulterated bad milk, that a premier City like Bangalore should take needful steps to improve matters by constructing model sheds and placing them at the disposal of the milk-sellers and guide them in the matter of adopting better methods regarding milking preserving and vending pure milk to people. He further said that the step would help to reduce the conjestion in several parts of the City, that much of the mosquito trouble would be diminished and that this Municipality should set an example to other Municipalities in this respect. The proposition was seconded by Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao.

Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar proposed an amendment that the words "at different localities" be omitted and that "100 and 50" be inserted before and the words "Cottonpet and Fort respectively" be inserted after the words "Model Cattle Sheds." The amendment was lost for want of a seconder.

Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar, C. N. Narasinga Rao, M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia, D. Venkataramiah, R. Gopalaswami Iyer, S. N. M. Razvi, S. Venkataranga Iyengar and others, spoke about the impracticability of the proposal and said that the existing bye-laws would meet the purpose if properly enforced, that it was not possible to compel owners of cattle to bring and tether their cattle in the proposed sheds and that it was not possible to employ an establishment to check and ensure the supply of pure milk.

Messrs. G. B. Raghavendrachar, V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar and M. Royan in supporting the proposition said that the difficulties pointed out were more imaginary than real and that if necessary the bye-laws may be suitably amended.

Mr. D. Venkataramiah then suggested certain changes in the wording of the proposition and proposed the following proposition, which was accepted by Messrs. G. Paramasiviah, the mover and C. Hayavadana Rao, the seconder.

"Resolved that immediate steps be taken to put up in the first instance six model cattle sheds at such localities as may be selected by the Commissioner and to rent out the same to owners of milch cattle with a view to improve the sanitary conditions of these localities and to ensure supply of pure milk in the City and that the Commissioner be requested to place before the Council a scheme on the lines above suggested for the consideration of the Council."

This proposition was put to vote and passed. Fourteen voted 'For' and none 'Against' it.

(2) "Resolved also that proper arrangements be made in the New Market for the sale of unadulterated milk for the use of children under the supervision of the Health Department of the City Municipal Council."

Also Memo No. 859 dated 4th November 1925, from the Health Officer on the subject.

Resolution.—The proposition was moved by Mr. G. Paramasiviah and seconded by Mr. B. L. Byanna, Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao proposed an amendment that the words "for the use of children" be omitted. This was seconded by Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao and Mr. G. Paramasiviah opposed the amendment on the ground that there was nothing to prevent hotel-keepers and others buying up all the milk. Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao then withdrew the amendment.

Mr. S. N. M. Razvi proposed an amendment that the words "Municipal Markets" be substituted for "New Market" which was seconded by Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar. The question whether the original words "New Market" are to be struck out for the purpose of inserting in lieu thereof the words "Municipal Markets" was put to the vote and lost. (Six voted 'For' and 13 'Against' it.)

The original proposition of Mr. G. Paramasiviah was then put to vote and carried, 16 voting 'For' and none 'Against' it.

With the consent of the house, election of members to the following Committees was held :—

(i) *Municipal City Improvement Committee.*—The following seven Councillors were elected member of the Municipal City Improvement Committee for one year in addition to four *ex-officio* members, *viz.*, the President, the Municipal Commissioner, the Health Officer and the Municipal Engineer :—

1. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 2. Mr. G. Muniyappa, 3. Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, 4. Mr. Hoskote Bhadrappa, 5. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 6. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, 7. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi.

(ii) *Health Committee.*—The following were elected members of the Health Committee for one year :—

1. Mr. M. Royan, 2. Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao, 3. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 4. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, 5. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer.

Note.—Messrs. R. Gopalaswami Iyer and Hoskote Bhadrappa having secured an equal number of votes, lots were drawn and Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer was elected. Mr. M. Royan was unanimously elected Chairman of the Health Committee.

(iii) *Market Committee.*—The following were elected members of the Market Committee for one year :—

1. Mr. C. K. Hutchappa, 2. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 3. Mr. M. C. Chiknanjundappa, 4. Mr. G. Muniyappa, 5. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar.

Note.—Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar and B. L. Byanna having secured an equal number of votes, Mr. B. L. Byanna withdrew his candidature.

Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah raised a point of order that the election of Chairman be held for a period of three months. This the President overruled.

Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar was selected Chairman of the Market Committee by the votes of all the members present except one.

Meeting adjourned to Saturday the 12th December 1925, at 8 A.M.

No. 18.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 12TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 8 A.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 18 | Absent 12

1. The President brought to the notice of the Council that the Acting Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops has at his instance agreed to arrange for the playing in the square before the City Market area, once a week of the Infantry Band so as to afford wholesome amusement and recreation to the masses of the City and that all that was required to be done by the Municipality was to arrange for the conveyance of the musical instruments from and to the Bar Lines.

It was resolved unanimously that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the Acting Chief Commandant for this kindness in granting permission for the playing of the Infantry Band, which has earned a reputation, before the City Market and that the Health Officer be requested to make necessary arrangements for the conveyance of the instruments.

2. Letters from Messrs. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar and G. B. Raghavendrachar, expressing their inability to attend the meeting were read and recorded.

Urgent Subjects.

1. Letter No. 676, dated 8th December 1925, from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, submitting for sanction an estimate for Rs. 47,440, for constructing a row of shops in the Market on the side of Setu Rao Street.

Resolution.—Sanctioned. The sum of Rs. 30,000 allotted for this work in the budget may be utilized during the current year. 13 voting 'For' and 1 'Against.'

2. Letter, from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, submitting for sanction a revised estimate for Rs. 1,990 for the construction of a Band Stand in front of the New Market.

Resolution.—The estimate is sanctioned and the Municipal Commissioner is authorised to get the work done either by calling for tenders or otherwise under Section 186, p (3), owing to the urgency of the matter.

3. Disposal of tenders for constructing a parapet wall along the Market Circus.

Five persons having submitted their tenders, the lowest tenderer Mr. S. Veerappa not being known to the Special Engineer, Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, said that further information might be obtained if Mr. Veerappa, had done any work in the Municipality or elsewhere. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, observed that since the difference between the lowest and the next tender of Messrs. S. Venkatappa and K. Ramiah, being only Rs. 100, the tender of the latter may be accepted.

Messrs. C. N. Narasinga Rao, S. N. M. Razvi, N. V. Kalyanpur, B. N. Vijayadeva, G. Paramasiviah and others, said that on principle the lowest tender must be accepted.

The question whether the lowest tender of Mr. S. Veerappa should be accepted was put to vote. Twelve voted for accepting the lowest and five against it. The President declared fore that S. Veerappa's tender for Rs. 4,021-8-0 was accepted.

Messrs. B. L. Byanna and G. Paramasiviah, having demanded a poll, it was granted.

The following 12 Councillors voted for the proposition:—1. Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, 2. Mr. D. Venkataramiah, 3. Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, 4. Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, 5. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 6. Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, 7. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 8. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia, 9. Mr. Basappa, 10. Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao, 11. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 12. Mr. B N. Vijayadeva.

The following 5 voted against:—1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, 2. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 3. Mr. C. M. Chicknanjundappa, 4. Mr. C. K. Hutchappa, and 5. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty.

4. Disposal of tenders for planting Avenue trees in Hoskote Road:—

The tender of Messrs. Empire Nursery & Co., for Rs. 1,324-1-0, is accepted. The guards to be of the height of 5½ feet. Ten for and three against.

5. Disposal of tenders for the erection of ornamental railings along the berm of the Market Circus.

Resolution.—The tender of Messrs. Petrie Hay & Son, for Rs. 5,539-8-0, is accepted.

6. Letter No. 595, dated 13th November 1925, from the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, submitting an estimate for Rs. 5,805, for fitting up the westernmost rooms of the Market Frontage for locating the Chowk Police Station, with two lockups and necessary accessories therefor. The Police Department has to pay a rent of Rs. 60 a month for the three rooms plus lighting charges.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

7. Letter No. 740, dated 17th November 1925, from the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division, forwarding for countersignature and return an estimate for Rs. 7,072, for extending the newly laid penstock pipe line and connecting the same with the old masonry duct with rear portion of Hessarghatta Tank.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

8. Resolved that a sum of Rs. 50,000, be sanctioned out of the capital expenditure for installing 1,000 meters to private house connections, during the current year and that the Chief Engineer, be requested to kindly take early steps in this matter.

9. Correspondence ending with letter No. 6667, dated 29th October 1925, from the Superintendent, Bangalore Power and Lighting, requesting that a sum of Rs. 50, for each telephone service being on account of the annual maintenance charges for the telephone connection to the residential quarters of the President and the Municipal Commissioner be sanctioned and that the first instalment be paid in advance.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

Deferred Subjects on the Printed Agenda.

7. Letter dated 12th October 1925, from Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, Municipal Councilor, Chamarajpet Division, proposing to move the following propositions :—

1. "That in view of the fact that rains have utterly failed and there is no adequate supply of water in Hessarghatta Lake and no useful purpose is served by duplicating the mains from Hessarghatta to Bangalore and in view of the sufferings of the citizens of Bangalore in this respect, this Council is of opinion that any levy of enhanced taxes to meet the cost of improvements is not feasible now and till such time when conditions are more favourable and this Council requests the Government that duplication of the main and the grant of the loan by the Government be suspended for a year and half from now and the collection of enhanced taxes postponed till then."

Resolution.—The proposition was discussed at great length and put to vote and lost, three members voted for and 14 voted against it.

Meeting was then adjourned to the 14th December 1925, at 5 P.M.

No. 19.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON MONDAY THE 14TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 16 | Absent ... 14.

Before proceeding with the business of the day, the proposal of the President to send a message of loyal welcome to His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore on his safe return from the foreign tour was heartily accepted by all and the following message was despatched at once:

"*To—The Personal Assistant to His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore, Mysore.*

The City Municipal Council, Bangalore, assembled in meeting to-day, beg to offer loyal greetings to His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore on his safe arrival at the Capital on completion of his long continental tour."

DEFERRED SUBJECTS.

7. 2. "Resolved that this Council recommends to the Government that early legislation may be introduced to the effect.

(a) That nomination of Councillors by Government be stopped as far as possible.

(b) That if the idea of the Government in nominating 10 Councillors is to provide for representation of particular interest, the principle of election be introduced therein by providing that Councillors may be elected by the interests concerned, who will form separate electorate for this purpose, so that the Council may be really representative."

Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao in moving these two propositions together said that he had not the slightest intention of underestimating the work done by the nominated Councillors and that his idea was merely to see that the rate payers were given opportunities to exercise their right of franchise and to thus secure to the fullest extent the benefits of the Local Self-Government Scheme.

Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty said that because he himself was a nominated member of the Council, he should not therefore be understood to oppose the proposition, that the proposition was very vaguely worded, that for several reasons it would be impossible, to stop nominations, as they were mainly intended to protect certain special interests and minorities.

Mr. D. Venkataramiah said that if the Councils should be purely elective, the masses should be sufficiently educated to understand and exercise their right of franchise and that at present Government rightly feel that nominations are necessary to guard special interests.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao explained clearly the principles underlying nominations and said that the question was so wide and difficult that it was impossible to do justice to the subject in a short time, that though the elective principle was preferred by all, still nominations were a necessary evil, that they must exist so long as the electorate was not sufficiently educated, that the city should be divided into a number of wards and not merely into 9 divisions as at present and that the whole question might be referred to a Special Committee for a full investigation.

The President in a long and forcible speech said that it would be a happy day for Mysore when nominations are done away with, that it is a difficult problem that great men throughout India have not been able to devise suitable measures to avoid it, that as circumstances stand at present nominations are necessary and cannot be done away with, that if the principle of nominations should be done away with, the city should be divided into a number of wards, say 30, with 2 seats allotted to each, so as to afford scope for persons of all denominations to contest. Since the people are heterogeneous and elections are fought on communal basis the present units of divisions being very extensive, there is no scope for minority communities to successfully contest seats. Hence the proposition was not practicable.

Mr. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar said that the proposition was vague and that owing to the importance of the subject it might be referred to a Select Committee.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah said that the remedy did not lie in the creation of wards and that to protect the interests of the minority communities nominations were necessary.

As the opinion of the majority seemed to be to refer the matter to a Committee, the question was put to vote and 9 were for referring it to a Committee and 2 against. The propositions were then referred to a Committee consisting of the following Councillors to make recommendations :—

1. The President, 2. Mr. C. Hayayadana Rao, 3. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 4. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 5. Mr. D. Venkataramaiya, 6 Mr. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar, and 7. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao, Sindia.

7. 2 (c) "That the Commissioner of the City Municipality be elected by the Municipal Council from out of a panel of three Officers of the grade of Senior Assistant Commissioners that should be selected by Government.

Resolution.—After some discussion as to the exact scope and meaning of the proposition of Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, the Council resolved that the subjects might be referred to the Special Committee formed in the above resolution.

8. Letter dated 13th October 1925, from Mr. B. L. Byanna, Municipal Councillor, Lab-Bagh Division, proposing to move the following proposition :—

"This Council resolves that Section 186 A, clause 1 of the Mysore Municipal Regulation be amended so that the appointment of the Municipal Commissioner and the fixing of his salary, etc., vests in the Municipal Council."

Resolution.—It was resolved that this proposition might be discussed along with 7, 2 (c) and hence also referred to the same Committee.

No. 20.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 16TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 17 | Absent ... 13.

Letter dated 15th December 1925, from the Personal Assistant to His Highness the Yuvaraja of Mysore, acknowledging the receipt of our telegram dated 14th December 1925, conveying the thanks of His Highness the Yuvaraja to the members of this Council for their loyal greetings was read and recorded.

Continuation of the Subjects on the Agenda.—Subject No. 11. Election of members for the Langarkhana Committee for one year from 16th December 1925.

Resolution.—The following Councillors were elected members of the Langarkhana Committee.—1. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar (Chairman), 2. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 3. Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, 4. Mr. Nilagiri Sanjeeviah, 5. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa.

12. Opinion of the Municipal Education Committee dated 23rd October 1925, proposing a revision of the grants now made to the several Reading Rooms and Libraries and the transfer of the management of the Ulsoorpet and Basavangudi Reading Rooms to private societies with a grant of Rs. 25 a month for each.

Resolution :—

1. (1) *The Public Library.*—It was unanimously resolved that the recommendation of the Municipal Education Committee to pay a grant of Rs. 600 a year from 1st July 1925, instead of Rs. 1,000 be accepted.

(2) *The Y. M. C. A.*—The recommendation of the Municipal Education Committee

(4) *The Central Mahomedan Association.*—The grant of Rs. 300 a year be continued.

(5) *The Srinivasamandiram Reading Room.*—The grant of Rs. 300 a year be continued.

(6) *The Chamarajpet Reading Room.*—The grant of Rs. 300 a year be continued.

II. Resolved further that as recommended by the Municipal Education Committee, the management of the Ulsoorpet and Basavangudi Reading Rooms be made over to the private agencies with a grant of Rs. 25 each per mensem and that all articles of furniture belonging to the Municipality be taken back.

III. Resolved further that the Municipal Education Committee be requested to frame suitable rules for the inspection of all Municipal Reading Rooms and Libraries.

IV. It was further resolved that the grant-in-aid be paid to these institutions on bills to be countersigned by the Secretary, Municipal Education Committee.

13. Letter No. L. 2482—Ml. 28-25-9, dated 9th October 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, in the matter of the termination of the services of the Special Engineer, City Improvement Works. Also Municipal Commissioner's memo with a proposition statement for carrying on City Improvement Works.

Resolution.—Mr. G. Paramasiviah opened the discussion by pointing out that the question of the personnel of the Special Engineer does not arise, since the previous resolution of the Municipal Council dated 12th September 1925, stands good and all that is required of the Council now is to fix the scale of establishment and to inform the Government if the post of an Engineer is required to be retained or not. Since the Municipal Commissioner is of opinion that a Special Officer is required for the Improvement Division, he will have no objection to support his view.

Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao said that the consideration of this subject be deferred until the return of the Commissioner, who was on leave as his views in the matter should be heard by the Council.

Messrs. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia and W. H. Hanumanthappa also urged that the consideration of the subject be deferred until the proposition statement is fully considered by them.

The President observed that any delay in the disposal of this subject will be highly prejudicial to the interest of the Municipality. The Council agreed with the President's opinion. Mr. Hanumanthappa said that the absence of the Municipal Commissioner is an additional ground for the adjournment of the subject. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao and others remarked that it was not fair to the house to abdicate its rights.

Messrs. B. L. Byanna and Hanumanthappa said that in the absence of definite proposals they would suggest that the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu should be retained up to the end of the official year.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao traced the history of the City Improvement Works from its inception and stated that the question of terminating the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu was a settle fact as already resolved upon by the Municipal Council on 12th September 1925 and so long the decision of the Council holds good, the question of extending his services does not and could not arise. Under the orders of Government he said, the Council was requested to send up proposals for the future management of the City Improvement Works and therefore he would suggest that the Municipal Engineer Mr. T. Ramachandra Rao, who has been in charge of the Municipal Works for a period extending over thirteen years must be transferred to the Improvement Works and that the services of Mr. D. Madhava Rao, secured in his stead. He observed that by giving effect to this proposal, there would be freshmen in service and works better managed. He further said that it is impossible to expect work from any person so long the sword of Damocles is hanging over his head and emphasized the fact as to how, for the last four months, ever since the resolution was passed, the interest of the Municipality had suffered on account of the delay that had occurred in the disposal of this question. He also remarked that the Government were careful in their latest letter in not interfering with their last resolution terminating the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu. They had really wanted to know if the post of the Special Engineer for the improvement works would be retained by the Council or not. To that, the Council's answer should be a definite one. The appointment of a superannuated man to the post would only mean further delay in the execution of works and loss to the Municipality.

As it was 8 P.M. the meeting was adjourned to next day. 17th December 1925, at 5 P.M. for want of time.

No. 21.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON THURSDAY THE 17TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 19 | Absent 11

Continuation of the discussion of Subject No. 13 re Special Improvement Works.—On resuming the discussion of the subject, Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, said that the resolution of the Council dated 12th September 1925 in the matter of the termination of the services of the

Special Engineer Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu be strictly adhered to, that it was expedient that the Municipal Engineer Mr. T. Ramachandra Rao who has been in charge of the Municipal Engineering Works, for the past thirteen years be put in charge of the Special Improvement Division, as he possessed intimate knowledge of all the works connected with that Division, being responsible for the preparation of plans and estimates of all important works from the beginning and that the services of Mr. D. Madhava Rao, now on Special Duty in connection with Water Well Works be secured for the Municipal Engineering Works as advisedly suggested by a previous speaker and that the interest of the Municipality be best served by effecting this change. He further said that the delay of four months that had occurred so far by Government not according their immediate sanction to the unanimous resolution of the Municipal Council had hampered the progress of the works and it was impossible for any human being to put his heart into his work so long as his fate was held in the balance and that it was a great draw back in the system of work of this Municipality that such urgent matters should be held up by Government to the utter detriment of Municipal interests.

Messrs. S. N. Seetharama Rao, B. L. Byanna, N V. Kalyanpur, M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe, P. Subbarama Chetty and C. N. Narasinga Rao, observed that when they unanimously voted on 12th September 1925, for the termination of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu's services they were under the impression that the Office of the Special Engineer itself would be abolished and savings effected thereby and that the present Municipal Engineer Mr. T. Ramachandra Rao would be appointed to that place with Mr. D. Krishna Rao, as Sub-Division Officer. The removal without the consent of the Council of the Sub-Division Officer by the Commissioner had created a new situation. The President then drew the attention of the speaker (Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao), "What about the words 'Or otherwise' in the resolution." Mr. Narasinga Rao continuing said that he knew of the existence of these words in the resolution but would not attach much importance to them.

Mr. V. A. Krishna Murthi Mudaliar said that the services of the present incumbent might continue until Government Orders were received which would take a little time, when the arrangements proposed by Messrs. Hayavadana Rao and Belur Srinivasiengar might be given effect to. By then, the incomplete works might be got finished and a clean sheet be given to the new incumbent.

The President remarked that except for the Market towers which were now being put up, no other work was pending completion and that the construction of shop buildings in the Sethu Rao Street and the grain bazaar was to be put in execution hereafter. If these works are not begun now, there will be no work for the Engineer and that these works may take very much more than a year for completion.

Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa asked permission to move a resolution in order to cause the previous resolution of the Muncipal Council terminating the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu as from 10th October 1925 and to put forward fresh proposals. The President ruled that he could do this only after giving previous notice to that effect as required by the statute, as the previous resolution terminating the Engineer's services was in force and was actually pending disposal before the Government.

Mr. N. Sanjeeviah said that the memo of the Commissioner recommending the retention of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu for six months be discussed.

The President pointed out that at this stage the question did not arise. He added that that part of the Commissioner's memo which travelled beyond the Council's last resolution was null and void and should be treated as redundant. He was bound by the last resolution of the Council and until it was actually cancelled proposals of the kind made by the Commissioner could only be treated as contrary to the spirit of that resolution and cannot be entertained. It was quite open to any member of the house to give due notice of a resolution to amend or rescind a resolution of the Council and if he did so he would certainly table it for discussion without hesitation.

Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty said that Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu had done good work and that he was a competent officer. The President remarked that the competency or otherwise of the officer was not the subject at issue. It would be better, he said, to avoid that topic lest other members holding opposite views should rise up to give expression to their opinion on that gentleman's work which was not desirable, especially in the interests of that officer.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah said that the resolution of the Council dated 12th September 1925, held good and all that Government wanted from them was a scheme for the management of works after the termination of the services of the present incumbent. The scheme submitted by the Commissioner in accordance with the resolution of the Municipal Council may be taken up for consideration and settled.

The Council agreeing to this proposal, the President read out item by item the several appointments proposed by the Commissioner in his proposition statement and after discussion each item was adopted by the house. In the result, the following resolution was unanimously adopted by the Council :—

"Resolved that the following proposition statement which provides for a monthly recurring expenditure of Rs. 726 as against Rs. 1,000, now incurred on the Special Improvement Works establishment be approved With effect from 1st January 1926 and that the same be forwarded to Government."

Statement of Proposition for Revision of Establishment.

Present scale						Proposed scale						
Number	Designation	Pay				Number	Designation	Pay				Remarks
		Minimum	Increment	Maximum	Actual			Actual	Increase	Decrease	Grounds of proposition	
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1	Special Engineer	300	....	300	300	1	Special Engineer	300	..	..	The entertainment of an additional Draftsman is necessary for the efficient work in the Department.	
1	Sub-Division Officer	100	10	150	120		....	..	—	174		
	Plus D. A.	....	....	....	24							
	Plus C. A.	....	....	....	30			87	..	..		
1	Sub-Overseer	35	5—3	77	37	1	Sub-Overseer	15				
	Plus C. A.	....	....	....	15			67	..	..		
1	Sub-Overseer	35	5—3	77	67	1	Sub-Overseer	15				
	Plus C. A.	....	....	....	15		....	..	..	55		
1	Sub-Overseer	35	5—3	77	40			75	..	..		
	Plus C. A.	....	....	....	15	1	Accountant	45	..	..		
1	Accountant	50	5	75	75	1	Typist	35	—	..		
1	Typist	45	....	45	45	1	Recordkeeper	40	—40	..		
1	Recordkeeper	35	....	35	35	1	Draftsman	14	..	..		
1	Peon	14	....	14	14	2	Peon	26	..	..		
2	Peons	13	....	13	26	1	Peons on Rs. 13	12	..	..		
1	Peon	12	....	12	12		Peon	15	..	85		
	House rent and contingencies	....	....	....	100		Contingencies					
12	Total ..	....	....	....	1,000	11	Total ..	726	40	314		

Net savings Rs. 274.

14. Consideration of the subject relating to the reversion of Mr. D. Krishna Rao, Sub-Division Officer, City Improvement Works, to the Government Public Works Department and the correspondence relating thereto.

Resolution.—Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty moved that the correspondence relating to the subject of Mr. D. Krishna Rao be recorded with an observation that in future the getting of transfers of officers lent or otherwise must not recur without the knowledge and consent of the Municipal Council. He further said that this was a matter involving an important principle. The Commissioner effected the transfer with the best of intentions in the interest of the Municipality; but it was an encroachment on the powers of the Municipal Council. With a view that the such things should not recur in future, he moved the above said proposition.

Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar remarked that it was an injustice to the Council that the late Sub-Division Officer, should have been sent away in the manner he was. Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, who seconded Mr. Subbarama Chetty's resolution said he felt sorry that Mr. Krishna Rao should have been sent away without the Council's consent.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao observed that he felt sorry that he had to refer to the matter. The Commissioner was a much respected Officer and had won their confidence. He would entirely believe in his bonafides in this matter. He had himself treated the Sub-Divisional Officer as a lent officer and had placed even his leave application before the Council for their consideration. He could not now say that his transfer did not require the approval of the Council. This Council depended to a great extent on the services of lent officers and officials high and low, and they should be treated fairly and justly.

The President then read the statement of the Commissioner and appealed to the Council to drop the matter

Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar said he etirely agreed with Mr. Hayavadana Rao in regard to the unfortunate manner in which Mr. D. Krishna Rao's services were terminated, but as the Municipal Commissioner had gone on leave and in the statement read by the President, the Commissioner had stated that he had consulted the President in the matter it would be better to drop the matter. He appealed to the mover of the proposition to withdraw his resolution having regard to the long, efficient and honest services of the Commissioner and suggested that the correspondence be simply recorded.

Mr. G. Paramasiviah said that since the incumbent was only a lent officer, there could be no objection to the action taken by the Commissioner. There was nothing in the rules to bind the Commissioner to obtain the permission of the Council in such matters and that he entirely differed from the views of the other members.

Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty said that in response to the appeal made by Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, he whole-heartedly withdrew the proposition and that the correspondence relating to this subject be simply recorded.

The subject was accordingly recorded.

Meeting adjourned to 18th December 1925, at 5 P.M., for want of time.

No. 22.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BANGALORE, HELD ON FRIDAY THE 18TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P. M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... 16 | Absent ... 14

Letter dated 18th December 1925, from Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, expressing his inability to attend the meetings of the Council and its Committees till about the middle of January 1926, was read and recorded.

Continuation of Subjects on the Printed Agenda.

20. Letter No. 689, dated 9th November 1925, from the Executive Engineer, Water-Supply Division, forwarding for countersignature an estimate for Rs. 22,385, being the crop compensation payable by the City Municipality to raiyats holding lands under Madhure and Kolathur Tanks for lettting down water to the Hessarghatta Lake.

Resolution.—Approved. The estimate may be countersigned and returned to the Execeutive Engineer, Water Supply Division.

21. Memo No. 726, dated 14th November 1925, from the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division, forwarding a copy of his letter of the same date to the Chief Engineer, stating that some active steps have to be taken by the Municipal Council to instal pumps on the available wells, so that the consumption of tap water may be reduced as is done in the Civil and Military Station; also Municipal Engineer's Memo. No. 1440, dated 17th November 1925, submitting his proposals in the matter.

Resolution.—Recorded with the observation that needful action has been taken by the

24. Letter No. C. 565 of 1925-26, dated 23rd October 1925, from the Inspector-General of Education in Mysore, forwarding a copy of a letter from the Chief Secretary to Government, requesting to be informed if the Municipal Council maintains the staff necessary for the inspection of the Hindustani Boys' and Girls' Schools in the Bangalore City.

Resolution.—Resolved that the Inspector-General of Education be informed that it is not proposed to do away with the inspecting agency now employed by Government for the inspection of the Hindustani Boys' and Girls' Schools in the City of Bangalore; that all that is required is to take over the control of these schools to the Municipality so that the requirements of these schools in the matter of additional teachers, habitation and equipment may be looked into by the Municipal Council and that it may be able to scrutinize the attendance of teachers, pupils and various other matters connected with these schools in addition to the inspecting staff maintained by Government. The Inspector General may be further informed that the Municipal Council have not maintained a separate staff for the inspection of these schools.

25. Municipal Commissioner's Memo dated 10th November 1925, stating that Rs. 10,000 which is required for the acquisition of certain properties in the City has to be met from the closing balance.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

26. Letter dated 5th November 1925, from Mr. M. A. Sreenivasachari, L.C.E., Executive Engineer, expressing his approval to the exchange of land required to round off the Arlepet Square and to pay Rs. 95-5-10, being the value of the excess land proposed to be given to him.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

27. Confirmation of the sale of site in Dibbur Rudrappa Lane held on 3rd November 1925 for Rs. 2,765 in the name of Mr. N. P. Lakshmaiya.

Resolution.—Sale confirmed.

28. Confirmation of the sale of sites in New Patnoolpet held on the 5th November 1925.

Resolution.—Sale confirmed.

30. Opinion of the Managing Committee dated 3rd November 1925, recommending the temporary entertainment of one Distraining Officer on Rs. 30 plus 10, a Shanbhog on Rs. 20 and a peon on Rs. 10 per mensem for collecting the large arrears outstanding in the VI Division up to 30th June 1926.

Resolution.—The entertainment of a Distraining Officer on Rs. 30 plus 10, a Shanbhog on Rs. 20 and a peon on Rs. 10 per mensem as a temporary measure up to 30th June 1926 is sanctioned.

31. Opinion of the Managing Committee dated 3rd November 1925, recommending that the Toll Inspectors be required to pay a cash security of Rs. 100 each.

Resolution.—Approved.

33. Opinion of the Municipal Education Committee dated 23rd October 1925, stating with reference to the suggestion of the Inspector-General of Education, regarding the appointment of the Superintendent of Municipal Schools as Attendance Officer that the Superintendent may be given the assistance of an Education Supervisor on Rs. 40—4—60, the clerical establishment and the contingent grant attached to the present Attendance Officer.

Resolution.—Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao formally proposed and Mr. Belur Srinivas Iyengar seconded that the opinion of the Municipal Education Committee be approved.

Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar proposed and Mr. S. N. M. Razvi seconded the amendment that the word 'an' before 'Educational Supervisor' be struck off and that the words 'a lady' be substituted therefor. The amendment was lost as only 2 voted for and 12 against it.

The original proposition was then put to vote and carried unanimously.

34. Memo No. 856, dated 4th November 1925, from the Health Officer, requesting sanction for the continuance of the temporary establishment of four coolies and three sweepers for Basavangudi and Visweswarapuram Extensions at a cost of Rs. 81 per month for a period of nine months from 1st October 1925 to 30th June 1926.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

38. Opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee dated 4th November 1925, proposing to sell by public auction the two sites applied for by His Holiness Bhiksu Jinnawanaswami in Visweswarapuram Extension.

Resolution.—The resolution before the house was "that the opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee dated 4th November 1925, proposing to sell by public auction the two sites applied for by His Holiness Bhiksu Jinnawanaswami in the Visweswarapuram Extension" be accepted.

The question whether these sites should be given at an upset price or free or sold by public auction was discussed at great length from various stand points.

As a result of discussion, the following three amendments were before the Council and were considered one after the other :—

(1) The first amendment was of Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, that the opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee, be rejected. The President refused to accept it and explained that the object of the amendment may be attained by voting against the motion.

(2) The 2nd amendment was of Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar to the effect that the two sites in the Visweswarapuram Extension be given to His Holiness free of cost. The President explained that the amendment should be in the form of a proposal to omit words from the original proposition, to insert words therein or to add words thereto. He asked the member to formulate his amendment accordingly.

(3) The 3rd amendment of Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty to strike off the words "opinion of the Municipal City Improvement Committee dated 4th November 1925, proposing to sell by public auction" and the words "be accepted" and to add the words "be sold to him at four annas per square yard" after the word "Extension" was admitted and put to vote and lost as only 3 voted for and 7 against.

The original proposition as on the agenda was put to vote and carried. Seven voting 'for' and 3 'against' it.

Messrs. P. Subbarama Chetty and S. N. M. Razvi demanded a poll, which was granted.

The following seven Councillors voted 'For' :—(1) Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, (2) Mr. N. V. Kalyanapur, (3) Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, (4) Mr. P. M. Basappa, (5) Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, (6) Mr. G. Paramasiviah and (7) Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao.

The following three Councillors voted 'Against' :—(1) Mr. S. N. M. Razvi, (2) Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, and (3) Mr. Nilagiri Sanjeeviah.

40. Letter dated 9th November 1925, from the Honorary Secretary, Bangalore District Congress Committee, Chikpet, Bangalore City, urging their claim for the grant of Rs. 250, sanctioned on 21st March 1925, by the Council in preference to that of Swarajya Party.

Resolution.—There was considerable discussion as to whether the sum of Rs. 250 should be paid at all and if so, to whom. It was pointed out by some Councillors that the District Congress Committee has not undertaken any "Home Industry" that neither of the two parties fulfils the objects for which the amount was originally voted and that the amount need not be paid to any. It was finally resolved that the communications from the District Congress Committee and the Swarajya Party be recorded and that no further action need be taken in the matter.

Voting 9 'for' and 2 'Against.' Meeting adjourned to 19th December 1925, at 5 P.M.

No. 23.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE HELD ON SATURDAY THE 19TH DECEMBER 1925, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Member.

Present	... 13	Absent	... 17.

41. Application dated 15th October 1925, from the Chairman of the Reception Committee, Ayurvedic Conference, Bangalore, requesting for some pecuniary help towards the expenses of the 2nd Ayurvedic Conference and Exhibition to be held in Bangalore in January 1926.

Resolution.—Resolved that a sum of Rs. 200 be paid, from Municipal Funds, towards the expenses of the 2nd Ayurvedic Conference and Exhibition to be held in January 1926 at Bangalore.

Voting.—11 'For' and none 'against.'

42. Opinion of the Bye-law Committee dated 23rd October 1925, approving the adoption of the draft bye-laws framed under Sections 46 (i) and 48 (ii) of the Mysore Municipal Regulation, in the matter of licensing any vehicle, any motor vehicle, bicycle or tricycle or animal, the license being fixed in Metal holders to a prominent part of the vehicle.

Resolution.—Approved.

45. Letter No. L. 3567-76—L. B. 102-25-3, dated 13th November 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, requesting the opinion of the Council in the matter of meeting the travelling allowance of members of the Representative Assembly invited to take part in the consideration of subjects pertaining to the Municipality in the Municipal Council Meetings.

Resolution.—The Council regret that it cannot see its way to [illegible]

47. Letter No. I. C. 2976—133-252, dated 4th November 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, forwarding for opinion a copy of letter No. 190, dated 9th September 1925, received from the Chairman, Mysore Chamber of Commerce, praying for the free grant of site in the vacant plot near Mahila Seva Samaj or the plot opposite to Bank of Mysore, on the Kichetty Chattram Road, for constructing a building for the Office of the Chamber of Commerce.

Resolution.—Messrs. G. Paramasiviah, P. Subbarama Chetty, B.L., Byanna and W. R. Hanumanthappa spoke in favor of the free grant of the site near the Mahila Seva Samaj to the Mysore Chamber of Commerce. Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar, N. V. Kalyanpur and S. Venkataranga Iyengar opposed the free grant of any site as they said the merchants could afford to by any site or building.

After a good deal of discussion, Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, proposed and Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao seconded the adjournment of the subject. This was opposed by others and the adjourment motion was put to vote and lost, as 5 voted for and 7 against it. The debate on the subject was again resumed.

After a good deal of further discussion, the proposition regarding "the free grant of the site near the Mahila Seva Samaj" was put to vote.

Seven voted 'For' and 5 'Against' the proposition. Messrs. P. Subbarama Chetty and B. L. Byanna demanded a poll which was granted.

Before the poll was taken, Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, said that he voted only for a *free grant* and not for the free grant of the particular site near the Mahila Seva Samaj, that he spoke all along against the grant of this particular site, that he certainly would not vote for the grant now and that he was under a "misapprehension" as to the proposition that was exactly put to vote.

The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 2. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 3. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 4. Mr. C. Muniyappa, 5. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 6. Mr. G. Paramasiviah and 7. Mr. W. H. Hunumanthappa.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, 2. Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, 3. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, 4. Mr. S. Venkataranga Iyengar, and 5. Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah.

The President gave a ruling under Rule 23 of the Rules regulating the conduct of business that, as the voting was challenged, he would take votes again.

Before the votes were taken, 4 Councillors, left the Council Chamber and as the number, present was only 9, the meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum.

No. 24.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 23RD DECEMBER 1925, AT 8 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Member.

Present ... 23 | Absent ... 7

Letter from Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar expressing his inability to attend this meeting was read and recorded.

Continuation of the discussion of Subject No. 47, re application of the Chamber o Commerce for a site.

Mr. G. Parmasiviah said that at the last meeting on 19th December 1925, the question was fully discussed and voted upon, that by a majority of votes, the question was decided and that he would strongly object to re-open and discuss the subject again.

The President said that, as one of the Councillors, challenged the correctness of the numbers declared to have voted for the proposition at the previous meeting, he had given a ruling that the hands shall be counted a second time. But before this could be done, some of the members had left the meeting with the result that there was no quorum to conduct further proceedings. Therefore the subject was to be discussed once again and disposed of on its merits. This ruling was accepted by the house and the subject was discussed a second time. The discussion was restricted first to the site near the Mahila Seva Samaj.

Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer said that the application of the Chamber of Commerce for a site was not definite as it did not mention the extent of the land required and that the subject be deferred to the Municipal City Improvement Committee in the first instance after obtaining definaite information from the Chamber of Commerce.

At this stage Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe proposed and Mr. G. Paramasiviah

previous day and heartily supported the free grant of one acre of site near the Mahila Seva Samaj to the Mysore Chamber of Commerce.

Messrs. C. N. Norasinga Rao, Nilagiri Sanjeeviah and G. B. Raghavendrachar, in opposing the amendment said that in the application, the Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce gives preference to the plot opposite to the Mysore Bank in the Kitchetty Chattram Road over the site near the Mahila Seva Samaj, that the merchants should have a building in the business centre and not in a far off place like Shankarpur, that there are already two Educational Institutions situated on both the sides of this land, that they are bound to expand into colleges gradually, that they should have enough play ground and that by the grant of a portion of this land to a third body, the play ground would be cut off.

Messrs. B. Abdur Rahmon, and P. Subbarama Chetty spoke strongly in favour of the amendment.

Mr. Subbarama Chetty said that the merchants would certainly prefer to have a place in the business centre, that no vacant place being available in Chikpet or Dodpet, they would be very glad if the site opposite the Mysore Bank on the Kitchetty Chattram Road could be given and that if that is not available, the next best place would be the one near the Mahila Seva Samaj.

At this state, there was some discussion as to the desirability of considering the question of the two sites together.

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe with the consent of the house, withdrew his amendment and moved the following proposition, which was seconded by Mr. G. Paramasiviah :—

"Resolved that one acre of land out of the vacant plot opposite the Bank of Mysore on the Kichetty Chatram Road be given to the Chamber of Commerce and if this cannot be granted the Council recommend that one acre of land by the side of the Mahila Seva Samaj be given.

2. Further resolved that the above site be given free of cost, subject to the usual conditions."

The first part of the proposition regarding the site was then considered.

Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar proposed and Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao seconded an amendment that the words relating to the land near the Mahila Seva Samaj be omitted. there was some discussion as to whether this was of the nature of an amendment or a direct negative. The President ruled that the amendment was out of order.

Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar proposed another amendment, *viz.*, to omit the words relating to the land near the Mahila Seva Samaj and substitute in lieu thereof "any other site near the Bank of Mysore." This amendment was seconded by Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao. The President admitted the amendment and put it to votes. But it was lost as 8 voted for and 10 against it.

The original proposition of Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe, was then put to vote and was carried, 13 voting for and 6 against. Messrs. C. Hayavadana Rao and V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar demanded a poll, which was granted.

The following voted 'for':—

1. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 2. Mr. H. Bhadraiya, 3. Mr. P. M. Basappa, 4. Mr. B. Abdul Rahman, 5. Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah, 6. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, 7. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindhe, 8. Mr. G. Siddaveerappa, 9. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 10. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 11. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 12. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar.

Note.—(When poll was taken, only 12 Councillors raised their hands.)

The following voted 'against':—

1. Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao, 2. Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, 3. Mr. M. Royan, 4. Mr. N. V. Kalyanpur, 5. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao and 6. Mr. D. Venkataramaiya.

The second part of Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia's proposition, *viz.*, that the above site be given free of cost, subject to the usual conditions was then considered.

Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar proposed that the words "free of cost" be omitted and the words "at a concession rate of one rupee a square yard" be inserted in lieu thereof. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar seconded it.

The amendment was put to vote and lost as 6 voted 'For' and 8 'Against' it.

The original proposition was then put to vote and carried 10, voting 'For' and 5 'against'

As a result of this prolonged discussion, the following resolutions were passed :—

"1. Resolved that one acre of land out of the vacant plot opposite the Bank of Mysore on the Kitchetty Chattram Road be given to the Mysore Chamber of Commerce and if this cannot be granted, the Council recommends that one acre of land by the side of the Mahila Seva Samaj be given."

"2. Further resolved that the above site be given free of cost, subject to the usual conditions."

No. 25.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 23RD DECEMBER 1925, AT 10-30 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present	23	Absent	7

The Proceedings of the Council Meetings dated 3rd, 8th, 12th, 14th, 16th and part of 17th December 1925 were read and recorded.

Urgent Subjects.

1. Municipal Engineer's Memo dated 22nd December 1925, submitting a plan and valuation statement for acquiring Survey No. 41 of Nagasandra for the cremation and burial ground for the Basavangudi Extension at a cost of Rs. 4,172-3-2.

Resolution.—Sanctioned; the cost to be met from the closing balance in the current year's budget.

2. Memo dated 16th December 1925, from the Special Engineer, Well Works, submitting for sanction an estimate for Rs. 1,020 for sinking a new well in Goripalya.

Resolution.—Sanctioned; the cost to be met from the closing balance in the current year's budget.

7. Municipal Engineer's Memo dated 7th December 1925, submitting for sanction, the following estimates for improving the Mysore Road:—

(*a*) For filling up a proposed road widened portion pit in front of Bangalore Press on the Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 2,300.

(*b*) For filling up the proposed road widened portion pit in front of Lal Kunta in the Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 1,450.

(*c*) For filling up the hollow portion behind Band Stand, removing the northern side slab drain on Mysore Road and stocking the loose stone boulders on Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 570.

(*d*) For extending the tunnel in front of the Bangalore Press on the Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 380.

(*e*) For laying 1 foot diameter stoneware pipes in front of Lal Kunta to the proposed extent of the road on the Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 635.

(*f*) For building a sewage and storm water drain on the south side of the Mysore Road, 10th Fg., from 9th cross road up to north-west corner of Sahujee's house up to circle at the junction of the 9th cross road and 6th main road, amounting to Rs. 452.

(*h*) For laying one foot diameter stone ware pipes across the Mysore Road, on the eastern side of the circle to lead the storm water of the eastern side drain of Agrahara Tank Bund Road, amounting to Rs. 340.

(*i*) For removing and rebuilding the water trough near the proposed circle on the Mysore Road, amounting to Rs. 206.

(*j*) For extending the box drain towards the east in the circle portion at the junction of Mysore Road and 5th main road, in Chamarajpet, amounting to Rs. 462.

Resolution.—Resolved that the ten estimates submitted by the Municipal Engineer as detailed above for the improvement of the Mysore Road, aggregating Rs. 7,415 be sanctioned and that the cost of the same be met from the closing balance in the current year's budget.

Resolved further that as the above works are of an urgent nature, the Municipal Engineer be instructed to take up and complete them as early as possible.

8. Municipal Engineer's Memo No. 1586, dated 3rd December 1925, submitting for sanction, a revised estimate for Rs. 2,138-8-0 as against the original sanctioned estimate for Rs. 2,045 for installing two motor pumps for drawing water from wells for road watering from Municipal Garden well and from the well on the Hoskote Road.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

10. Office note, dated 26th November 1925, urging for the necessity of entertaining an additional Mutsaddy, on Rs. 15 a month for the New Market.

Resolution.—Sanctioned as a temporary measure till 30th June 1926.

13. Estimates for the following works:—

(1) Installing two ornamental street lamps with 250 C. P. near the Mysore Road Ukkad, Bangalore City, at an estimated cost of Rs. 485, the annual royalty being Rs. 60 per annum. (*Vide* letter No. 7142, dated 4th December 1925, from the Superintendent, Bangalore Power and Lighting.)

(2) Deviation of electric poles on the Mysore Road at an estimated cost of Rs. 4,856. (*Vide* letter No. 11720, dated 8th December 1925, from the Chief Electrical Engineer.)

Resolution.—Resolved that the two estimates received from the Electric Department amounting to Rs. 485 and Rs. 4,856 as above be sanctioned and that the cost of the same be met from the closing balance.

Resolved further that as the rearrangement of lights on the Mysore Road, is an urgent item of improvement, the Chief Electrical Engineer be requested to expedite the execution of this work as early as possible.

14. Disposal of tenders for the installation of electric lights in the Cloth Bazaar in the New Market.

Resolution.—Resolved that the lowest tender of the States Engineering Company for Rs. 3,790-2-0 be accepted.

15. Disposal of tenders for the installation of electric lights in the shops in the rear of the Market Frontage.

Resolution.—Resolved that the lowest tender of the States Engineering Company for Rs. 815-5-0 be accepted.

(*Note.*—Samples produced by the States Engineering Company in respect of the above two tenders to be kept in the Municipal Office.)

Remaining subjects adjourned for want of a quorum.

No. 26.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON MONDAY THE 4TH JANUARY 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ...	... 21	Absent ..	... 9

Before the proceedings of the day commenced, the President announced with great regret that the Municipal Commissioner Mr. M. G. Krishnaswami Rao, who had returned from leave on Saturday last, has on account of his ill-health applied for long leave preparatory to retirement and handed over the charge of his Office to the Health Officer Dr. J. V. Mascarenhas. He said that the Council was losing a very conscientious and capable officer who worked with great credit to himself and satisfaction to the Municipal Council in this Premier Municipality for two years and one month and that his relations with the Council and himself personally and officially, were most cordial. He expressed hopes that he would soon recover from his illness and live long to enjoy his retirement and that it is in fitness of things to publicly acknowledge the good work done by him.

Mr. S. N. Sitharama Rao proposed as a mark of their sincere regard for the Commissioner to meet him in the Council Hall and take a group photo.

Messrs. Belur Srinivasiengar, G. Paramasiviah, M. Royan, B. G. Raghavendrachar, C. Hayavadana Rao and B. N. Vijayadeva, in expressing their great regard for Mr. M. G. Krishnaswami Rao's qualities of head and heart and associated themselves with all what was said by the President.

Mr. D. Venkataramiah said that perhaps among all those present he was the only one who knew Mr. M. G. Krishnawami Rao from his childhood and had watched his career as a student and as a public servant for over 40 years, that he was always simple, conscientious, systematic and considerate and that his retirement was a distinct loss to the Council and to the City.

Dr. J. V. Mascarenhas on behalf of the officers and the staff of the Municipality expressed the great regard in which he was held by them.

A message which Mr. M. G. Krishnaswami Rao had sent to the President and Councillors, expressing his great regret at such a sudden parting from them on account of his ill-health and requesting them to forget if any harsh or offending word had unwittingly escaped from his lips during the heated discussions in the Council, was read.

Mr. C. Hayavadana Rao then proposed the following resolution, which was carried unanimously:—

"Resolved that this Council do place on record their appreciation of the very valuable services rendered by Mr. M. G. Krishnaswami Rao, the retiring Municipal Commissioner, during his tenure of Office for over two years and that a copy of these proceedings be communicated to him."

The draft of the minutes on Subject No 14, dated 17th December 1925, regarding the reversion of Mr. D. Krishna Rao, Sub-Division Officer was read. As some of the Councillors observed that their speeches had not been completely and properly recorded, it was agreed

that each of the Councillors would send a precis of their speeches for incorporation in the minutes book.

At this stage, a letter signed by sixteen Councillors were presented to the President, requesting that the proposition of Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty of which he had given previous notice, regarding the retention of the service of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu, Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, till the 30th June 1926 be taken up. The President ruled that under clause 7 of Section 26 of the Municipal Regulation, no new subject can be discussed at this meeting since it was a meeting adjourned for want of a quorum and that the proposition of Mr. Subbarama Chetty had been tabled for discussion at the ordinary meeting to come off on the 16th January 1926. He further informed the Council that Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu has tendered his resignation and that apart from it the Government have passed orders for the termination of his services and that he is being relieved.

The subjects on the agenda for December 1925, were then taken up. (Continued from the meeting dated 23rd December 1925.)

18. Letter No. M. G. dated 3rd November 1925, from the Director of the Bangalore Woollen, Cotton and Silk Mills Co., Ltd., requesting reconsideration of the Council resolution dated 4th February 1924, regarding the yearly lease to the Company of a plot of ground measuring 90 feet by 150 feet in the Agrahar Tank-bed for the construction of Sedimentation tanks and stating that the land may be sold to them outright in consideration of the large outlay on their part.

Resolution.—The Council regret that the plot of land proposed to be leased out to the Mills connot be sold to them outright and it was resolved that the original resolution of the Council dated 4th February 1926 to lease the land at a monthly rental of one rupee be adhered to.

Voting —16 'For' and none 'Against.'

19. Letter No. G. 1022, dated 26th November 1925, from the President, Municipal Commission, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, requesting to be informed if the City Municipal Council would like to avail of the services of their Fire Brigade at a minimum fee of Rs. 50 for a call of 3 hours *plus* Rs. 25 for each subsequent hour's work.

Resolution.—Resolved that the proposal of the President, Civil and Military Station, be accepted with the modification that the rate for each subsequent hour's work be fixed at Rs. 15.

(Voting.—17 'For' and 1 'Against.')

22. Application from Mr. D. K. Ramaswamaiya, Head Accountant, praying that he may be given the maximum pay of his appointment, *viz.*, Rs. 100 in consideration of his long services, with the Municipal Commissioner's recommendation thereon.

Resolution.—Resolved that Mr. D. K. Ramaswamiah, Head Accountant, be given the maximum pay of the grade, *viz.*, Rs. 100 with effect from 1st January 1926.

27. Question of the removal of the huts behind Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar's house.

Resolution.—After some discussion, it was resolved that fresh sites be found to locate these people at places nearer to their daily work as far as possible and leased to them on reasonable rent and that the huts be removed after the allotment of sites.

No. 27.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 16TH JANUARY 1926, AT 8 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ..	19	Absent ...	11.

DEFERRED SUBJECTS.

1. To record Government Order No. L. 4317-19—Ml. 96-25-14, dated 16th December 1925, passing orders on the Bangalore Water Supply Improvement Scheme.

Resolution.—Resolved that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Government for the prompt and equitable orders they were pleased to pass on the Bangalore Water Supply Improvement Scheme.

Voting 10 'For' and 1 'Against', the total number of Councillors present being 11.

Messrs. B. L. Byanna and G. Paramasiviah demanded a poll.

The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. M. Royan, 2. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 3. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 4. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, 5. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 6. Mr. N. Sanjeeviah, 7. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, 8. Mr. M. C. Chiknanjundappa, 9. Mr. C. K. Hutchappa, and 10. The President.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. B. L. Byanna.

2. To sanction the following estimates received from the Chief Engineer of Mysore received with his letter Nos. 6829 and 6830, dated 14th December 1925 for Rs. 3,06,555 and Rs. 4,17,000 respectively. (One-half of which is to be borne by the Council.)

i. For Ransome and Rapier Gates in connection with the rising of the weir of Hessarghatta Lake.

ii. For laying a Monier pipe duct 36 inches in diameter from the rear cistern of the Hessarghatta Lake Tower to the Junction Chamber.

Resolution.—Resolved that the two estimates be sanctioned, and countersigned and returned to the Chief Engineer.

(3) For the construction of a row of shops in Sethu Rao Street in the New Market.

Resolution.—The President explained that five contractors had submitted their tenders and read out the amounts for which they had tendered.

Mr. B. L. Byanna proposed and Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar seconded that the lowest tender be accepted.

Discussion then centred round the point whether the names of the tenderers should be read out or not. Messrs. Belur Srinivasa Iyengar, P. Subbarama Chetty, N. Sanjeeviah, C. N. Narasinga Rao, and A. Abdur Rahmon spoke in favour of disclosing the names of the tenderers before any tender is accepted, as it is necessary to know their solvency, experience of contract work, etc.

Messrs. Ramachandra Rao Sindia, G. Paramasiviah and a few others said that the names of the contractors should not be disclosed, as there is a probability of being led away by favoritism, etc.

The question whether the names of the tenderers should be announced or not was put to vote. As there was an equality of votes, 8 'for' and 8 'against', the question could not be decided.

At this stage, the President send round all the tenders among the members of the Council.

The proposition of Mr. B. L. Byanna that the lowest tender be accepted was then considered and put to votes. Fourteen voted 'for' and 3 'against' it.

Messrs. B. L. Byanna and N. Sanjeeviah demanded a poll.

The following voted 'For':—Mr. V. A. Krishnamurthi Mudaliar, 2. Mr. M. Royan, 3. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 4. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, 5. Mr. P. M. Basappa, 6. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 7. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 8. Mr. Siddaveerappa, 9. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 10. Mr. C. K. Hutchappa, 11. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 12. Mr. C. B. Raghavendrachar, 13. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao Sindia, and 14. Mr. M. C. Chiknanjundappa.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. D. Venkataramiah, 2. Mr. Belur Srinivasaiengar, 3. Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah.

In the result, the lowest tender of Mr. B. N. Ramaswamy for Rs. 39,863 was accepted

2. To sanction an estimate for Rs. 3,447 for maintaining a subsidiary pumping arrangement at the Hessarghatta Tank, received from the Executive Engineer, Water Supply Division, with his letter No. 877, dated 14th December 1925.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

3. To sanction the following estimates :—

(1) For the construction of two rows of shops in the New Market for the Grain Bazaar for which a sum of Rs. 30,000 has been sanctioned in the current year's budget.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(2) For supplying lamp posts, ornamental railings for the Band Stand in front of the City Market and fitting them up at a cost of Rs. 1,260 as per estimate received from Messrs Petrie Hay & Son.

Resolution.—For the reasons explained by the Municipal Engineer in charge of these works and as a special case, the estimate for Rs. 1,260 is sanctioned without calling for tenders.

(4) For the watering of the roads of the several divisions in the City for a period of four months from 20th January 1926, for Rs. 6,050.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

5. To consider the following recommendations of the Municipal Education Committee :—

(1) That the scale of pay of the 15 additional teachers sanctioned by Council on 12th September 1924 be as follows :—

Eight teachers on Rs. 20-1-25 per mensem.
Seven teachers on Rs. 17-1-20 per mensem.

Resolution.—Sanctioned.

(2) That the Girls' School at Narayanasettipet be shifted to a better building in the same locality at an extra cost of Rs. 5 per mensem.

Resolution.—Resolved that the school be shifted at once unless all the rooms in the premises of the school building are placed at the disposal of the Municipality.

(3) That a room in the New Market be provided free of rent for holding an adult night school.

Resolution.—Resolved that a room in the Circle in the Market be granted free of rent. The Market Committee to select the room.

(4) That a grant of Rs. 50 per mensem be sanctioned to the Mahratta Primary School at Basavangudi with effect from 1st July 1925 on the condition of the payment of Rs. 5,000 by the Manager of the above said school for being invested.

Resolution.—Resolved that the grant of Rs. 50 per mensem may be sanctioned with effect from the date of investment of Rs. 5,000 by the Manager of the school.

Meeting adjourned to Tuesday the 19th January 1926, at 5 P.M. for want of time.

No. 28.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON TUESDAY THE 19TH JANUARY 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ...	22	Absent ...	8.

Continuation of Deferred Subjects.—

No. 3. Cash Accounts, D. C. B. Statements, for the months of July 1923 to June 1925.

Resolution.—With regard to the audit of accounts, pending for over 2 years, it was resolved that Messrs. Niligiri Sanjeeviah and H. Bhadrappa be appointed to co-opt with Messrs. S. N. M. Razvi and N. V. Kalyanapur, the present auditors to complete the audit of accounts as early as possible. It was also understood that after the arrears are cleared up, the Councillors should invariably take up the audit of accounts by turns.

5. Confirmation of the sale of Municipal vacant land measuring 130·66 square yards situated to the west of Baley Matt on the Taluk Cutcherry Road for Rs. 645.

Resolution.—The sale is confirmed.

6. Health Officer's Memo No. 1060, dated 2nd December 1925 urging the necessity for the appointment of 2 Lady Health Visitors to supervise the work of Midwives.

Resolution.—After a good deal of discussion as to the necessity of having one or two Lady Health Visitors, Mr. B. N. Vijayadeva proposed and Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar seconded "that the proposal of the Health Officer for the appointment of 2 Lady Health Visitors, each on a pay of Rs. 75 plus 30, with 2 servants on Rs. 10—1—12 each, attached to each officer for a period of 6 months for the present be accepted and that the qualification of Lady Health Visitor shall be certificates in Maternity, Sick nursing and Child Welfare work, with a fair knowledge of English, Kanuada, Telugu and Hindustani.

This was carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned to 20th January 1926 at 5 P.M. for want of time.

No. 29.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 20TH JANUARY 1926, AT 5 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ...	15	Absent ...	15

Before commencing the business of the day, the President announced that the Government were pleased to give their Premier Municipality, a Municipal Commissioner in the person of Mr. B. T. Kesavaiengar, B.A., who was then present at the meeting for the first time, that on behalf of the Council and himself personally he was very happy to accord him a hearty welcome. He said that Mr. Kesavaiengar was a young and energetic Officer of very sound parts and much experience in Revenue and Judicial branches of work. He had a special learning and aptitude towards Local Self-Government to draft the District and Local Board Regulations. They were fortunate in having a gentleman of such potentialities to carry on the work of their Municipality. He therefore welcomed him most heartily.

Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar said that he was very glad to associate himself with all what the President had said of Mr. Kesavaiengar, that he was aware of his brilliant career both as a Revenue Officer and a Magistrate and that he believed that their Municipality would be much benefitted by his experience and guidance. He wished that he would extend to them that kindness and courtesy which they were accustomed to and he knew Mr. Kesavaiengar so richly possesses. He hoped that his relations with them all would be quite cordial and happy.

The Commissioner, Mr. B. T. Kesavaiengar, in reply, thanked the President and the Councillors for the cordial and happy welcome accorded to him on the occasion and for the very kind and some what flattering references the President and Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar had made to his abilities and his past service under the Government. When the order appointing him as Commissioner of the Premier Municipality reached him, he felt diffident, he was sorry to confess, of his powers in filling a place which called for much tact and energy and which had been occupied by men of riper experience and greater capabilities than his own. He believed that the Government had sent him there not on account of his ability but as a sort of trial to see how he would acquit himself and be of service to the Citizens of Bangalore and the Municipal Council in the discharge of their onerous work. When he entered his duties that morning, he little expected that he would meet so many familiar faces and friends who were veterans in Civic duties to be associated with whom was a great honor to him and on whose cheerful assistance he could rely in shouldering the great responsibilities that had devolved on him. He said he looked upon himself as only a humble individual with very ordinary abilities and that his highest aspiration and ambition was to serve the people, his country and above all his sovereign faithfully, honestly and loyally. He sincerely hoped that with their co-operation and good will he would be able to do that much to the satisfaction of his conscience.

7. *Continuation of Deferred Subjects.*—Application of the Assistant Engineer, Well Works, requesting that he may be given a motor cycle conveyance allowance.

Resolution.—The application of Mr. D. Madhava Rao, Assistant Engineer on Special Duty in connection with Well Works, for a motor cycle allowance of Rs. 50 was considered but was not sanctioned as only 4 voted 'For' and 9 'Against' the grant of allowance.

8. Letter No. 136, dated 9th November 1925, from the Secretary, Municipal Education Committee, submitting the Memo of the Honorary President dated 7th April 1925, with the recommendation and suggestion of the Specialist for the improvement of the Deaf and Dumb School, Bangalore.

Resolution.—Resolved that the recommendation of the Municipal Education Committee to improve the school at an annual expenditure of Rs. 4,000 by providing a boarding house, etc., on the lines indicated by the Head Master of the Deaf and Blind School, Mysore, be generally accepted and that the Government be requested to contribute ⅔ of this amount, the remaining ⅓ being borne by the Municipal Council.

10. Mr. B. L. Byanna to move :—

"That in view of the present financial stringency of the Bangalore City Municipality, this Council resolves that the Government may be respectfully requested to meet half the cost in the salary of the Municipal Commissioner, as long as the present stringency continues."

Resolution.—The proposition was moved by Mr. B. L. Byanna and was seconded by Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty.

Some members spoke in favor of the proposition and some against it. The proposition was then put to vote and carried. Nine voting 'For' and 5 'Against.' Messrs. B. L. Byanna and N. Sanjeeviah demanded a poll, which was granted. The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. S. Venkatarangaiengar, 2. Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar, 3. Mr. S. N. Seetharama Rao, 4. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 5. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 6. Mr. H. Bhadrappa, 7. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 8. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, 9. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. N. Sanjeeviah, 2. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 3. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, 4. Mr. G. Muniyappa and 5. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao.

9. To consider letter No. L. 4694—Ml. 28-25-19, dated 24th December 1925, from the Secretary to Government, Local and Legislative Departments, in the matter of appointing a stenographer on a graded pay.

Resolution.—The Council unanimously recommends that the grade of the stenographer may be fixed at Rs. 50—5/1—70.

Meeting adjourned to 21st January 1926, at 5 P.M. for want of time.

No. 30.

PROCEEDINGS OF AN ADJOURNED GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON THURSDAY THE 21ST JANUARY 1926, AT 5 P.M., IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Members.

Present ... ... 16 | Absent 14

Letter from Mr. Belur Srinivasiengar expressing his regret for his absence at this meeting was read and recorded.

Continuation of the Ordinary Subjects on the Agenda.

11. To consider Government letter No. L. 4243—Ml. 68-22-53, dated 11th December 1925, calling for the opinion of the Council in the matter of the irregularities in the Collection and Accounts Departments of the Municipality and the explanations of the officials concerned.

Resolution.—As the explanations of the officials concerned had not been received yet, it was proposed by Mr. D. Venkataramiah and carried unanimously that they should be called upon to submit their explanations before the 1st February 1926, that the whole question be referred to a Sub-Committee, consisting of 1. Mr. D. Venkataramiah, 2. Mr. N. Sanjeeviah, 3. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 4. Belur Srinivasiengar, 5. Mr. G. Paramasiviah; with the Municipal Commissioner as the Convenor and that the Sub-Committee be requested to send its report before the 15th February 1926.

14. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, B.A., LL.B., to move :—

(1) "That in future separate accounts should be kept of all expenditure incurred by the President and Commissioner respectively, on their own responsibilities without sanction of the Councillors assembled."

Resolution.—Mr. G. Paramasiviah moved the proposition in the amended form as noted below, which was unanimously approved :—

"That in future a statement of aggregate amount of estimates sanctioned by the Commissioner for items of expenditure less than Rs. 250 be furnished monthly to the Municipal Council, along with the usual monthly statement showing the amount sanctioned by him on items between Rs. 250 and Rs. 500.

(2) "That immediate steps be taken to provide separate burial ground to those who have been making use of the one in Bhogenahalli by the side of the Mahomedan burial ground on the Bangalore-Mysore Road, which is said to have been completely filled up."

Resolution.—Resolved that the matter may be left to the Commissioner to consult the representatives of the communities that make use of the burial ground and do the needful in the matter.

15. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty to move :—

"That the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu, Special Engineer, City Improvement Works, be extended to the end of the official year of 1925-26."

Resolution.—Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty moved the proposition and Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar seconded it.

Messrs. B. Abdur Rahmon, G. B. Raghavendrachar, N. Sanjeeviah, B. L. Byanna and W. H. Hanumanthappa spoke in favor of continuing the services of Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu. Messrs. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, D. Venkataramiah, G. Paramasiviah and C. N. Narasinga Rao said that there was absolutely no use in pressing the proposition as Mr. C. Vijayarangam Naidu has of his own accord tendered his resignation and has been relieved of his duties and that the matter be dropped.

When the proposition was put to votes, 8 voted 'For' and 5 'Against' it.

Messrs. P. Subbarama Chetty and D. Venkataramiah demanded a poll, which was granted.

The following voted 'For':—1. Mr. G. B. Raghavendrachar, 2. Mr. B. L. Byanna, 3. Mr. P. Subbarama Chetty, 4. Mr. B. Abdur Rahmon, 5. Mr. Niligiri Sanjeeviah, 6. Mr. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 7. Mr. G. Muniyappa, and 8. Mr. H. Bhadrappa.

The following voted 'Against':—1. Mr. G. Paramasiviah, 2. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 3. Mr. R. Gopalaswami Iyer, 4. Mr. D. Venkataramiah and 5. Mr. S. Venkatarangaiengar.

No. 31.

PROCEEDINGS OF A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CITY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, BANGALORE, HELD ON SATURDAY THE 30TH JANUARY 1926, AT 8 A.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER.

In pursuance of a requisition dated 26th January 1926, signed by Messrs. (1) G. B. Raghavendrachar, (2) W. H. Hanumanthappa, (3) B. L. Byanna, (4). P. Subbarama Chetty, (5) G Siddaveerappa, (6) C. K. Hutchappa, (7) C. N. Narasinga Rao, (8) S. N. Seetharama Rao, (9) S. Venkatarangiengar, (10) N. V. Kalyanapur, and (11) B. Abdur Rahmon, this meeting was called for the consideration of the following subject:—

"Resolved that Mr. Ramachandra Rao, the present Municipal Engineer, do continue in his present office undisturbed."

The following members were present:—Messrs. 1. Mohamed Abbas Khan (President), 2. W. H. Hanumanthappa, 3. B. L. Byanna, 4. C. N. Narasinga Rao, 5. P. Subbarama Chetty, 6. N. V. Kalyanapur, 7. D. Venkataramiah, and 8. S. N. M. Razvi.

At 8-30 A.M., the President informed the members that for want of a quorum, no business could be transacted and that the meeting had to be dissolved. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao and others said that a number of Councillors were standing in the compound of the Municipal Office. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao went out and very shortly afterwards returned. Mr. C. N. Narasinga Rao mentioned that the members outside were not willing to come into the Hall in order to avoid a quorum being formed. It was then 34 minutes after 8 A.M. when the President rose and announced that for want of a quorum "this meeting is dissolved."

Note.—Messrs. S. Venkatarangiengar and P. Murugesam Pillay wrote letters expressing their inability to attend this meeting.

MOHAMED ABBAS KHAN,
Honorary President.

SHIMOGA DISTRICT BOARD.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE DISTRICT BOARD, SHIMOGA, HELD ON WEDNESDAY THE 24TH FEBRUARY 1926 AT 1-30 P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL, SHIMOGA.

Members.

Present	... 25	Absent	... 11	Total	... 36

READ:—

1. Proceedings of the Third Ordinary Meeting of the District Board, held on 23rd December 1925.

Resolution.—Confirmed.

2. Letter No. L. 5244-52—L. B. 114-25-2, dated the 20th January 1926, from the Local and Legislative Secretary to Government, forwarding a copy of agreement adopted in the Bombay Presidency in the matter of replacing the existing basket boats by wooden boats and requesting that in consultation with the District Board, bye-laws may be framed and a draft of the same submitted to Government for consideration.

Resolution.—Resolved that a Sub-Committee consisting of the following gentlemen (members) be formed to study the question and submit a report before the next meeting:—

1. Vice-President (Convenor).
2. The Sub-Division Officer, Sagar.
3. Do do Tirthahalli.
4. Mr. A. Ananthaiya, Pleader, Shimoga.
5. ,, B. Rama Rao, Pleader, Sagar.
6. The District Forest Officer, Shimoga.

3. Letter No. L. 5043—San. 6-25-31, dated the 13th January 1926, from the Secretary, Local and Legislative Departments, requesting the District Board to reconsider their resolution for transferring the Local Fund Dispensary at Megarvalli to Mahnad Improvement Funds.

Resolution.—Resolved that the Government may be requested to allot funds for this dispensary out of the savings that could be effected out of the Mahnad Improvement Funds, at least this year in view of the fact that the District Board is working with a deficit balance as is evident from the letter of the Comptroller No. 646—T. A. D. A., dated 26th November 1925. The Board is alive to the necessity of improving its finances and has been endeavouring to retrench expenses and tap further sources of income. The Board assures that as soon as there is some improvement in the financial condition, it will provide funds for this dispensary as hitherto.